

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

10/661,849

Examiner

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Applicant(s)

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to the Amendment filed on 02/08/2005.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-6, 8-29 and 33.
3. ☒ The drawings filed on 12 September 2003 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 6. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☒ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date 02/22/2005
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date _____.
7. ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____.

DETAILED ACTION

This Office Action is in response to the Amendment filed on February 28, 2005.

Claims 1, 8, and 9 were amended; claim 7 were cancelled; and claim 33 was added.

On Page 6 of the previous Office Action mailed on November 26, 2004, in the second paragraph there has been a typo error. The second paragraph is corrected as following:

-- Claims 1 and 15-16 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Rosen (Pub. Number US 2004/0035117 A1), in view of Mackay (Patent Number 6,606,864 B2)--

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1-6, 8-29, and 33 are allowed.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: None of the cited prior art alone or in combination teaches or renders obvious the claimed combination of a system for generating electrical power for supply to a load including:

Regarding claim 1:

the auxiliary generator/motor in the motor mode being operable to receive electrical power from the main generator and convert the electrical power into mechanical power that is injected into the spool to which the auxiliary generator /motor is coupled.

Regarding claim 8:

a sensor operable to measure a variable indicative of combustor inlet temperature, and where the controller is connected to said sensor and is operable to control air flow through the first spool in such a manner to maintain the combustor inlet temperature above a predetermined minimum temperature required for catalytic operation.

Regarding claim 17:

See the previous office action mailed on November 26, 2004.

Regarding claim 33:

the controller being operable to select mode in which the auxiliary generator/motor operates and to control the auxiliary generator/motor in the selected mode so as to affect an operating condition of the gas turbine engine."

Conclusion

The IDS (PTO-1449) filed on February 22, 2005 has been considered. An initialized copy is attached hereto.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Thai-Ba Trieu whose telephone number is (571) 272-4867. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Thursday (6:30-5:00).


If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Thomas E. Denion can be reached on (571) 272-4859. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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